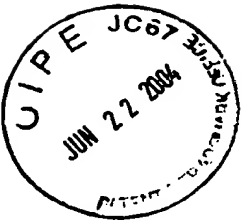


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P&G Case No. 8072M

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
STEPHEN ZIMMERMAN, ET AL. :  
Confirmation No. 2167  
Serial No. 09/851,040 : Group Art Unit: 1761  
Filed: May 8, 2001 : Examiner: D. E. Becker  
For: SNACK PIECE HAVING INCREASED PACKED DENSITY

AMENDMENT AFTER ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

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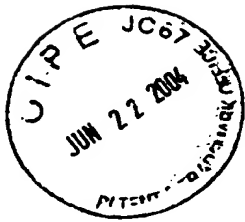
Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2004 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.



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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Application No. : 09/851,040  
Applicant(s) : Stephen Zimmerman, et al.  
Filed : May 8, 2001  
Title : SNACK PIECE DESIGN HAVING INCREASED PACKED DENSITY  
TC/A.U. : 1761  
Examiner : Drew E. Becker  
Conf. No. : 2167  
Docket No. : 8072M  
Customer No. : 27752

1. ☒ No additional fees (claims fees or extension fees) are known to be required.
2. ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA*	RATE	FEE
TOTAL	*	MINUS	**	=	x \$18 =	\$
INDEP.	*	MINUS	***	=	x \$86 =	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$290 =	\$
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\* - If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

3. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Office Action dated in the above-identified application to preserve pendency of said application. The processing fee under 37 CFR §1.17 has been determined as follows: \$ for a -month extension of time.
4. The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
  - a. ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.16.
  - b. ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.
5. The Director is hereby authorized to make any additional copies of this sheet needed to accomplish the purposes provided for herein and to charge any fee for such copies to Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

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